SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 819

By Finney R.

A RESOLUTION to honor and recognize Micah Erich Mills, 2008 Salutatorian of Covenant Christian Academy.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to pay tribute to those students who, through their natural talents and unflagging commitment to academic excellence, have distinguished themselves in the classroom; and

WHEREAS, Micah Erich Mills is one such exceptional student who was recently named Salutatorian of the 2008 graduating class at Covenant Christian Academy; and

WHEREAS, through diligent study, steady composure during examinations, and steadfast commitment of time and talent, Micah has achieved outstanding academic success and has joined the ranks of the best and brightest students in Tennessee and our country; and

WHEREAS, in his remarkable high school career, Mr. Mills has earned an exemplary 3.65 grade point average, while participating on the varsity basketball team for five years, which he served as captain during the 2007-2008 season, and on the varsity golf team for four years, which he led as captain from 2006 to 2008; and

WHEREAS, this exceptional young man's unique combination of intellect, athleticism, and leadership has garnered him numerous accolades, including two Physical Education Leadership Awards and three Most Athletic Awards; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Mills has evidenced a strong commitment to public service and good citizenship at an early age, and he volunteers his time and considerable talents to many worthy causes, including Habitat for Humanity, Appalachian Outreach, and his church youth group; and

WHEREAS, Micah's display of intellectual aptitude and ambition surely bodes well for his future success; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Mills' noteworthy achievement is a tremendous source of pride for his parents, Dr. Douglas and Jennifer Mills, his school, and his community; and

WHEREAS, Micah's dedication to excellence is clearly deserving of the respect, admiration, and commendation of this legislative body; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we hereby commend and honor the 2008 Covenant Christian Academy Salutatorian, Micah Erich Mills, on his impressive academic achievement and extend to him our best wishes for a happy, successful future.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.

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